

### REMARKS

The last Office Action has been carefully considered.

It is noted that the claims are objected to. It is also noted that the drawings are objected to.

At the same time the Examiner indicated that the application was in condition for allowance except of the above-mentioned formal matters.

The Examiner's indication of the allowance of the present application is gratefully acknowledged.

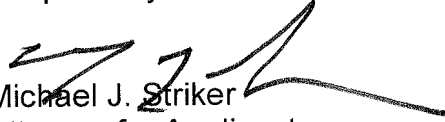
In connection with the Examiner's objection to the claims, Claims 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 19 have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. It is therefore believed that the Examiner's objections to these claims should be considered as not longer tenable and should be withdrawn.

Applicant's also submitted a copy of Figures 2, 3, and 6 with the corrections suggested by the Examiner. It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's grounds for the objections to the drawings should also be considered as not tenable and should also be withdrawn.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawing be further amended or corrected in formal respects to put this case in condition for final allowance, then it is requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment and the case passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing the case to allowance, he or she is invited to telephone the undersigned at 1-631-549 4700.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Michael J. Striker  
Attorney for Applicants  
Reg. No. 27233